

**Commissioners Meeting
March 19, 2013**

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Chuck Painter, Tara Lloyd, Attorney Lindsey, Auditor Lynam

Absent: Mickey Toler

Meeting was called to order by President David Gogel at 1:00 P.M.

Minutes

Logsdon made a motion to approve the minutes from February 5th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed.

Logsdon made a motion to approve the minutes from February 20th. Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed.

Reid Haire-Owensboro Health

Haire representing Owensboro Health told the Commissioners that patients will be moved into the new hospital on June 1, 2013. The new hospital is a four hundred million dollar facility and will employ over 3,200 employees; they will be the largest employer in Western Kentucky. In 2011 Owensboro Health had a payroll of over 5.6 million dollars for Spencer County employees, provided over \$753,000 of charity care for residents of Spencer County and admitted and discharged over 500 patients who live in Spencer County. Haire said they were working to be designated a trauma center, because if we have a situation now trauma patients have to be taken to St. Mary's, Louisville, or Nashville. Owensboro Health is currently in the process of recruiting for additional family practice physicians in Spencer County. We want to make sure that people from Spencer County have access to good quality health care.

Logsdon said he had spoken to Vice President Russ Ranallo concerning a bill from Owensboro Health for one of our inmates, since that bill has now been taken care of we would like to set up a process, once the new hospital is open, to have our inmates taken care of at Owensboro Health at the same rate that we get in Indiana; Medicare plus 4%. Haire said he had spoken to Ranallo and he had been extremely busy but would work on getting a proposal together and get it to the Commissioners for their consideration.

Mowing Contract

There were 2 bids received.

1. **Clarks Lawn Care LLC** Bid of \$145.00 per week
Mowing offseason Alternate 1 \$300.00
Base bid for Law Enforcement \$128.50
Mowing offseason Alternate 1 \$300.00
2. **Four Seasons Lawn Care** Bid of \$85.00 per week
Mowing offseason Alternate 1 No Charge
Base Bid for Law Enforcement \$75.00
Mowing offseason Alternate 1 No Charge

Logsdon made a motion to take the bids under advisement so Lindsey could check everything over. Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed.

Debbie Murphy-Section 125-Insurance

Murphy explained that she was just updating the Section 125 for our insurance. This was originally done in 2001 and it just needs to be updated, nothing has changed. Logsdon made a motion to approve and accept the upgrades and update of the Section 125 Cafeteria Health Plan. Gogel seconded the motion, motion approved.

Mowing Contract

Lindsey explained that everything was in order on both bids. Four Seasons looked to be the lowest bid and a responsible bidder. Logsdon made a motion for the 2013 mowing contract on Lindsey's recommendation to approve Four Seasons Lawn Care at the prices quoted in the bid. Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed.

Highway Report

Painter passed out maps to show County Road 700 E between Santa Claus, and Mariah Hill; 700 becomes County Road 1800 N, then follow that to the curve where the road goes south, you are now on Valentine Road, Santa Claus is supposed to maintain this section according to the agreement the County made with Santa Claus in 2003 or 2004. Property owners are asking for the County to maintain this section since they can't get Santa Claus to do it. Gogel said he would go to the Santa Claus Town Board and talk to them about getting something done if we could find the signed copy of the agreement.

Painter also reported that Steve Luker from FC Tucker Realty had called and asked if the County was going to do anything to the Dale Lake Road (500E). Logsdon said to tell him we aren't making any commitments because the plan for Chip and Seal in all three districts have not yet been confirmed.

Engineer Report

Lloyd passed out a rough draft of the 2013 CEDIT plan. She explained that the top half is some chip and seal left over from 2012, we got an asphalt base down, but the weather turned cold and we didn't get

the chip and seal down. Below that are new projects listed that are a combination of projects that were due to be done in 2013, when you go by typical pave and the 10 years later chip and seal, plus looking ahead there were some roads on the 2013 plan that maybe needed something done to them but they look okay, they could wait another year. Old State Road is not a CEDIT Road but it needs work, so it would need to be added to the CEDIT Roads. Lloyd asked the Commissioners to study the plan and let her know if there was something they wanted done that wasn't on there.

Jane Stout

Stout said they were updating their policies and would like a copy of the new firearms ordinance from 2012 so they could incorporate it for the EMA building at Reo.

New Business

Logsdon said he felt that since we recently had a death of a young student at the junction of Highway 66 and Orchard Road we needed to make a formal request to INDOT for a traffic light at that intersection. We should also request that INDOT lower the speed limit and designate that area as a school zone. The speed limit traveling west on Highway 66 is 55 miles per hour until you reach Freedom Bank, then it drops to 50 miles per hour until 100 yards either side of the stop light where it is 45 miles per hour; after you travel West 100 yards from the stop light it goes up to 50 miles per hour to Kendall Truck Sales and from then on it goes to 55 miles per hour. Logsdon said he would suggest that we request that INDOT consider a 35 mile per hour speed zone and a school zone designation from Freedom Bank to the top of the Water Tower Hill. Logsdon felt we should put a formal request in to INDOT and if they won't do what we ask, to put in writing why they won't do it. Lloyd said she was working on a proposal and would have it for the Commissioners approval and signatures at the first meeting in April.

Legal Report

Lindsey said we needed to find a different avenue to get information concerning the radio tower, because Preferred Tank and Tower won't be very forthcoming with any information. Logsdon said he would send out an email to AIC and AICC members and ask if there are any counties renting space to telecommunication companies on their county owned towers and if so please contact him with the following information; process of obtaining vendors who are interested in leasing space and approximate income per month you receive for it.

Sheriff Lindsey-Update

Sheriff Lindsey gave an update on the video surveillance, he explained that they had met with ID Solutions and David Hanson with AT&T. A proposal was presented, but he asked that they change it a little, so they will have to meet again. Lindsey didn't feel that they were any farther along than they had been.

Lieberman Technologies from Evansville had contacted Sheriff Lindsey and said they would be interested in providing internet service to us. They have a way to tie in to an area near where Vectren is located and it would only be about 1/3 of the cost of what AT&T is proposing; it won't be as fast as fiber optic but they feel it will be adequate for what we need. They are a general contractor and will work with different companies to get the best price for us.

Lindsey said he and Nurse Cheryl Lauer had spoken to Dr. Susan Martin about providing medical services to the county inmates. She expressed interest and is working on a list of standing orders to follow.

Lindsey then told the Commissioners that he has been working on a personal project, he would like to recognize all the past sheriffs. His idea is to do a plaque with the names on it and have it hung in the courthouse and invite all the past sheriffs to attend.

Old Business

Gogel explained that if we wanted to do something different with the farm ground that is currently farmed by Eric Sermersheim we would have to notify him by October 1st of the previous year. Logsdon made a motion to approve renting the ground to Sermersheim for \$100.00 as proposed in his letter.

Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed. Logsdon made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

President

Attest:

Auditor